

ACTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Minutes
June 3, 2015
7:15 PM
TOWN HALL - 472 MAIN STREET
ROOM 204

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Terry Maitland, William Froberg, Tom Arnold, Amy Green, Jim Colman, Paula Goodwin

NATURAL RESOURCES DIRECTOR & RECORDING SECRETARY: Tom Tidman

VISITORS: Jack Maloney, Ducharme & Dillis Civil Design Group; Jennifer Querbes, 1 Parmley Drive

7:15 Notice of Intent: Willow Street Sidewalk

Proposed construction of a section of sidewalk, about 1400 feet long, that will complete the missing section of sidewalk between Kingman Road and Central Street along Willow Street, town atlas plate G-1, parcel 84. A portion of the proposed work will occur within the 100 foot buffer zone.

Paul Campbell, Town of Acton Engineering Department, presented the project. The proposed five foot wide sidewalk will be pitched toward the road to avoid any run off into the adjacent wetlands. The headwall will be reconstructed to allow for the width of the sidewalk. Mr. Maitland asked if the project will be done "in-house." Mr. Campbell responded that the project would go out for bid, and if the bids come in too high, then it will be done by the Highway Department. Mr. Arnold inquired about the reasonable time period for the project. Mr. Campbell responded that the project encompasses a long stretch that will fill in sidewalk gaps along Willow Street starting at Kingman Road, and the estimated time for construction is about 2 weeks.

Decision: Tom Arnold moved to issue a standard order of conditions with the following special condition: Once work for the project has commenced, all work within the buffer zone for culvert and headwall construction shall be completed within 14 days. Mr. Froberg seconded and the vote was unanimous.

7:35 Request for Determination: 17 Lincoln Drive

Project for the replacement/upgrade of a failed septic system and installation of a new leaching field, involving the removal of several trees. Work will occur in the 100 foot buffer zone.

Jack Mahoney of Ducharme & Dillis Civil Design Group, presented the project, the replacement of a failed septic system. A new tank and "D" box will be installed, and it will be a gravity system. Several trees will have to be removed. There were no variances needed from the Board of Health. The original system is more than 30 years old. The entire area will be excavated down to original soil. The plan has been approved by the Board of Health.

Decision: Mr. Froberg moved to issue a negative 3 determination, that is, work described in the Request is within the Buffer Zone, as defined in the regulations, but will not alter an Area subject to protection under the Act. Therefore, said work does not require the filing of a Notice of Intent. Mr. Colman seconded and the vote was unanimous.

7:45 **Notice of Intent: High Street Sidewalk**

Proposed construction of a section of sidewalk, about 5000 feet long, that will complete a missing section of sidewalk between Audubon Hill and Parker Street, town atlas plate H-3B, parcel 50-5. The proposed site work takes place within three resource areas: Bordering Vegetative Wetlands, Riverfront Area and Bordering Land Subject to Flooding.

Paul Campbell, Town of Acton Engineering Department, presented the project. The Town of Acton proposes to construct a 5 foot wide sidewalk along High Street from Parker Street to Audubon Drive. The portion of the project requiring a Notice of Intent is for the addition of a new catchbasin with deep sump, and the construction of a new headwall and sidewall. There are two culverts, a 48 inch and a collapsed 36 inch. Together they handle the flow for Pratt's Brook. The 36 inch metal culvert will be replaced with a 36 inch plastic pipe. The 48 inch culvert will be lined with plastic. Berms will be replaced, and a new catch basin will be added above the culverts. The project will go out to bid and could be constructed this fall.

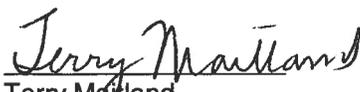
Ms. Green asked that Paul look at the stream crossing document to see what measures could be achieved. Mr. Campbell responded that he would look to see what improvements could be made.

It was agreed that a site-walk was needed with the Commission and would be scheduled some time before the next meeting date of June 17. The hearing was continued to June 17 at 7:30 PM.

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Mr. Arnold moved to approve the minutes of May 6, Mr. Froberg seconded, unanimous vote.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.


Terry Matland
Chairperson

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